examining its feasibility. The future course of action will depend on BIFR's recommendations.

PERMISSION TO KFG TO SET UP RESTAURANTS IN INDIA

3151. DR. SANJAYA SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 110 given in the Rajya Sabha on 9th December, 1993 and state :

(a) whether the K.F.G., a subsidiary of U.S. Soft drink giant, Pepsi Co., has also been permitted to set up chains of restaurants in India ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) M/s. K.F.G. a subsidiary of Pepsico Inc., Hong Kong have been given approval on 10th December, 1993 to set up a wholly owned subsidiary in India for setting up KFG restaurants. The restaurants will be developed and operated primarily through :

(i) joint venture between Pepsico's subsidiary and Indian Partners ;

(ii) Indian Licensees ; and

(iii) A limited number of restaurants will be operated directly by the subsidiary.

The proposal envisages investment in the equity capital of the Indian subsidiary of US $ 200,00,000.

NO-INDUSTRY DISTRICTS IN GUJARAT

3152. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the Districts in Gujarat particularly in Saurashtra Region included in the list of No-industry districts ;

(b) whether Government propose to set-up industrial units in these districts during 1993-94 and 1994-95 ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) In Gujarat, Dangs has been selected as 'No-industry' district.

(b) to (d) Industrialisation of an area is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned. Central Government supplements their efforts to the extent possible.

ASSISTANCE TO GUJARAT FROM NATIONAL RENEWAL FUND

3153. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any request from the Government of Gujarat for assistance from National Renewal Fund pending before the Central Government ; and

(b) if so, by when this proposal will be decided and assistance will be sanctioned to the State Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY)

(SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) Proposals for assistance from the National Renewal Fund (NRF) have been received from the Government of Gujarat. These will be processed and decided upon by the Empowered Authority on receipt of appopriate budget allocation.

ASSISTANCE FROM U.K. TO INDUSTRIALISTS IN PUNJAB

3154. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the UK proposes to give all help to Punjab industrialists in increasing trade between the two countries in regard to importing latest technology exploration of the possibility of joint ventures and establishment of contacts in Britain ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto ; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that due to the liberalisation and economic reforms in India, a large number of British companies are eager to invest in India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) In so far as Punjab is concerned, no specific assurance or proposals have been received from the U.K.

However, business delegations from a number of Indian States have visited U.K. in the recent past. It is reported that U.K. companies are willing to explore the possibilities of transfer of technologies, joint ventures, etc.

(c) Since the announcement of liberalisation and economic reforms in India (Aug. '91-Nov. '93), Government of India has granted 439 F.C. approvals with U.K. firms involving equity participation of Rs. 751.03 crores. The details of these approvals are as under :

Year	F.C. approvals		Investment approved (In Rs. Crores)
	Total	Fin.	
1991 (Aug.-Dec.)	97	29	24.67
1992	184	73	117.67
1993 (upto Nov.)	158	72	608.69

REFERENCE OF REHABILITATION INDUSTRIES CORPORATION TO BIFR

3155. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to refer the question of Rehabilitation Industries Corporation to BIFR ;

(b) whether it is a fact that Industries of small scale sector are outside the purview of BIFR : and

(c) what is the manner in which the question of the RIC be referred to the BIFR without providing adequate financial support to it for its sustenance in the interest of refugees who constitute its workforce ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRI-